## **Greenhouse Facilities Early Microbial Ecosystems Research Group (EMERG) NASA Ames Research Center**



EMERG Early Microbial Ecosystems

**Research Group** 

Trace Gas **Production** and Consumption Under "Early Earth" **Conditions** 



**Greenhouses Offer:** 

- •Natural Light
- •Realistic Flow Fields
- Natural Solar UV

Technology

Development

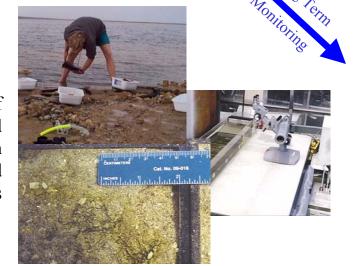
Microsensors, Remote Instrumentation Collaboratory





Used for

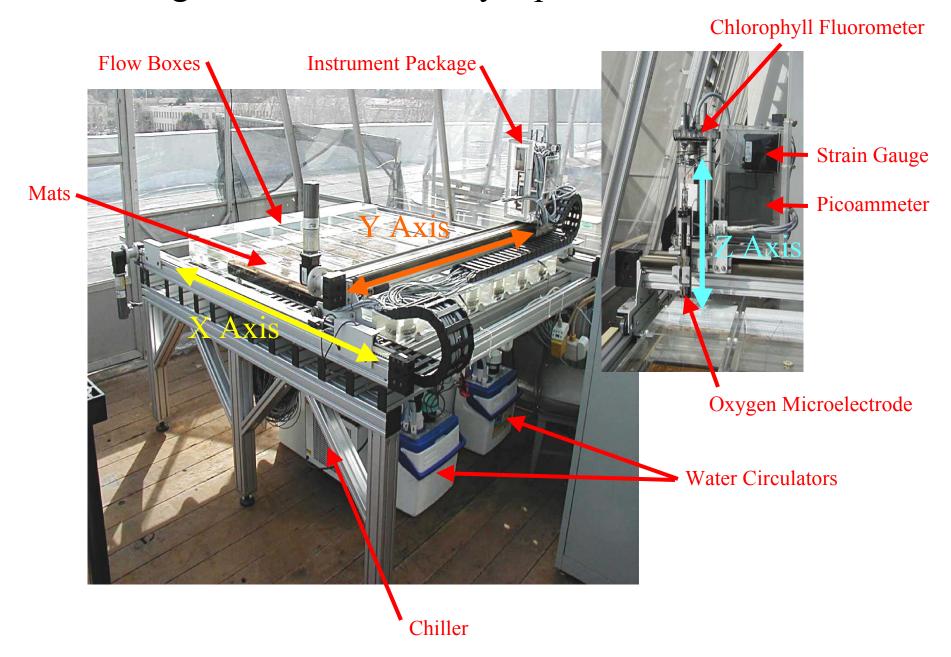
Maintenance of Field Collected Mats and Growth of Defined Communities



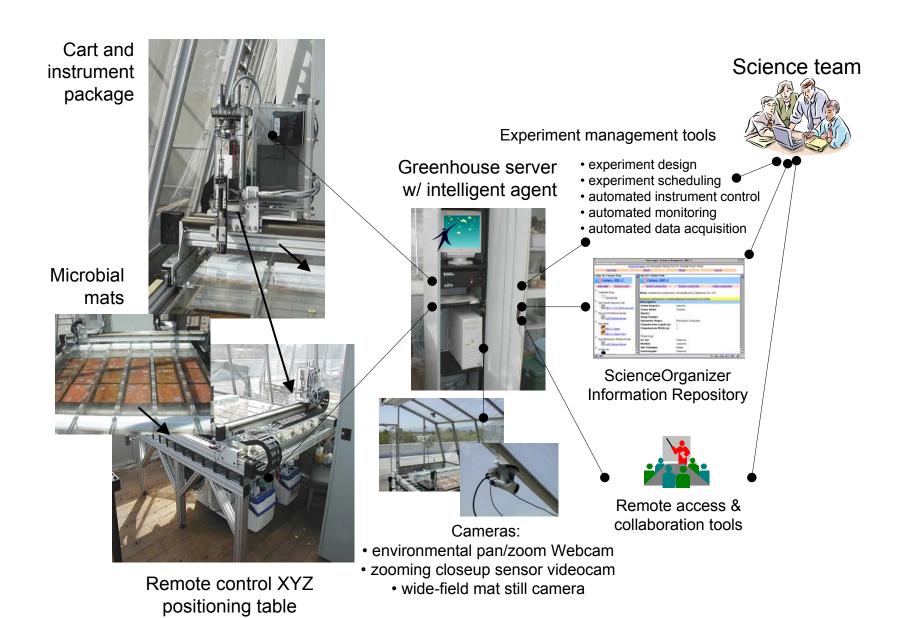
**Detailed Studies** of Mat Biogeochemistry with Improved Access to Analytical Instrumentation



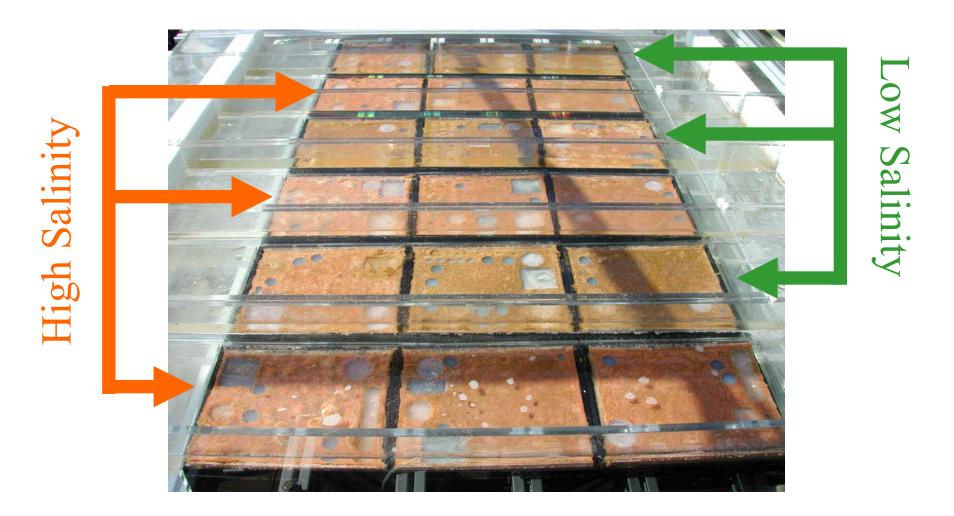
## Diagram of the Remotely Operable XYZ Table



## Organizational Diagram of the Collaboratory Configuration



## Color Changes Observed in Our First Manipulation (Salinity)



Appearance of the mats on 3/29/01. The color difference between high (120 ppt) and low (90 ppt) salinities can be seen. Clear spots on mats are places where samples have been taken.